



**MINUTES FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES
OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HELD IN ROOM 374A
OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012
Wednesday, November 17, 2010
1:00 PM**

ROLL CALL

The meeting will be called to order by President Neal. (10-2807)

The meeting was called to order by President Neal at 1:15 p.m.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

1. Approval of the Minutes from the meeting of October 20, 2010. (10-2698)

On motion of Commissioner Teran, seconded by Commissioner Chang, this item was approved.

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2. Approval to purchase refreshments for the 2010 year end wrap-up meeting in the amount not to exceed \$250.00. (10-2745)

On motion of Commissioner Teran, seconded by Commissioner Weller, this item was approved.

II. SET MATTERS**3. 1:30 p.m.**

Update report by the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation on enforcement and confiscations of fraudulent use of disabled placards. (10-2709)

Sergeants Jessie Dyer and Kimmi Porter reported they conducted another meeting task force in July at Costco in the City of Los Feliz. This resulted in four placards being confiscated. There will be another task force conducted in the fashion district. There was an amendment to the misused violation of placards which now covers abuse and the surrendering of placards. The Transportation Department is enforcing complaints in the different areas within the City of Los Angeles.

President Neal requested staff extend an invitation for a Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) representative to address the Commission on disabled placard legislation.

Sergeants Dyer and Porter also responded to questions posed by the Commission. After discussion, the verbal report was received and filed.

III. REPORTS**4. Update report by the President. (10-2699)**

President Neal submitted a verbal report and spoke about a speaker who attended the KTYM radio program regarding Social Security Services and highlighted the Ehlers Dahlos Syndrome.

Her verbal report was received and filed.

5. Update report by staff on new agenda format of Legistar 5 Program including requirement for supporting documents on Agenda. (10-2700)

Rhonda Rangel, staff, reported that the new Legistar 5 Program has been downloaded within Commission Services. The new look and change is an effort to have all Commission Agendas and Minutes standardized to be similar to the Board of Supervisors' Agendas and Statements of Proceedings. In addition, the Strategic Plan addressed the Executive Office Vision of "Technology Driven Services" and being "Green". She emphasized the importance of submitting supporting documents in a timely manner to include in any and all upcoming agendas.

After discussion this report was received and filed.

6. Community Service Report for the month of October 2010. (10-2701)

This item was taken off calendar.

7. Monthly Transportation Committee Report including discussion of paratransit complaints. (10-2702)

This item was taken off calendar.

8. Monthly Access Services report and update on findings of the alleged misused of equipment and current vehicle tracking system being used by Access (ASI). (10-2703)

Giovanna Gogreve provided a verbal update on the aforementioned request.

Daniel Garcia addressed the Commission.

After discussion, no action was taken.

9. Monthly update report by Kurt Hagen, Access Board Representative. (10-2704)

Mr. Hagen provided a brief overview of his report and responded to questions posed by the Commission.

Daniel Garcia also addressed the Commission.

After discussion, this item was received and filed.

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10. Monthly update report by Chip Hazen or a representative from the Los Angeles County Transportation Authority (METRO). (10-2705)

Chip Hazen reported that 4,081 active operators have attended the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Certification training program. There are 500 operators who have not received training. Mr. Hazen reported the Civic Center escalators for the Red Line located on Hill Street and First Street will be replaced in February 2011. The project is expected to take six months for each set of escalators to complete. Accessible ramps located on First and Hope Street entrance will be closed due to the construction. Additionally, Mr. Hazen introduced Brendan Parker, an intern at METRO. Mr. Parker stated that he is currently working on special projects and is conducting outreach to social service agencies to provide better service for people with disabilities.

Mr. Hazen responded to questions posed by the Commission. After discussion, this item was received and filed.

- 11.** Report from Angela Davis J.D., Acting Senior Deputy, Disability Civil Rights of the Office of Affirmative Action Compliance. (10-2707)

Angela Davis provided an update on the Ernest Hamilton ramp dedication, which has been put on hold due to the construction at the Hall of Administration. The Office of Affirmative Action Compliance is working with the Chief Executive Office (CEO) to get an official date for the ramp dedication. Additionally, she provided a verbal report on the Board Policy of the non-discrimination on the basis of disability in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), which is set for sunset review on January 16, 2011. The Office of Affirmative Action is looking into the possibility of changing the language of the policy. President Neal recommended having the Commission support the language change to the policy and directed staff to table this item to the meeting of December 15, 2010 for further discussion.

After discussion, and by common consent, the item was continued to the meeting of December 15, 2010.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

Items not posted on the agenda, to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Commission.

Public Comment

Public Comment - Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission Board on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (10-2805)

Daniel Garcia, Linda Kirsten, Shontel Rolisin, and Lorraine Moreno addressed the Commission.

Adjournment

Recommendation by individual Commission members to adjourn the meeting of November 17, 2010. (10-2806)

On motion of Commissioner Weller, seconded by Commissioner Teran, unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.